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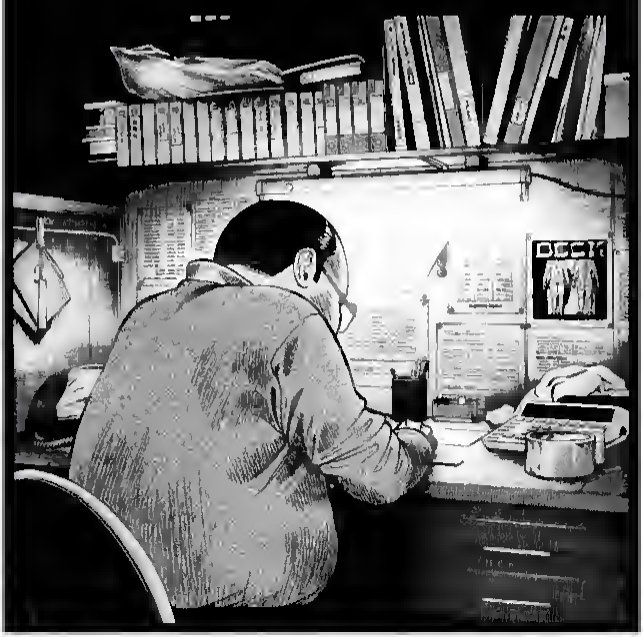

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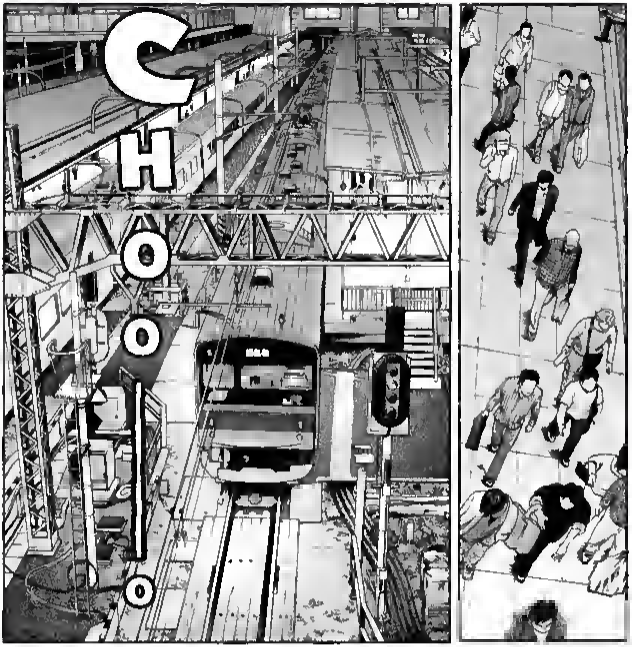
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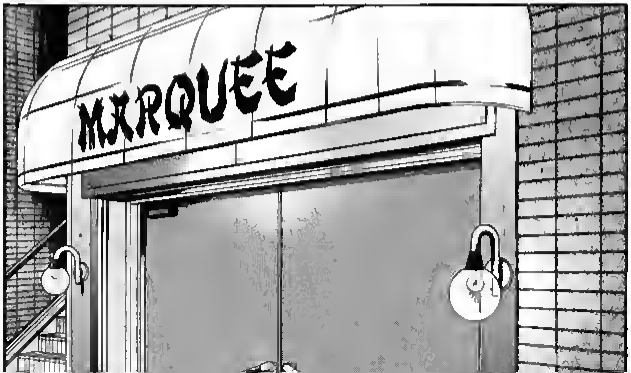

MXRQUEE

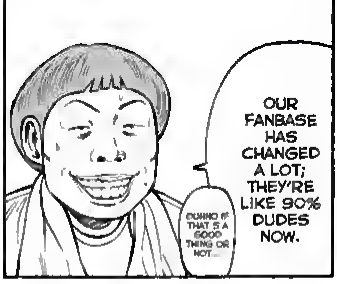
Chinese Bookey
New Single
"The Three Okappa Masses"
September 25th
BOOM
BOOM
BOOM
BAM
BAM
FUU UUUU UUUCK!
ANAL

...
ANAL FUU UUUU UCK!
ANAL FUU UUUU UCK!

TICKETS
WASH
再入場できません
PRE-CUM!!

STAFF ONLY

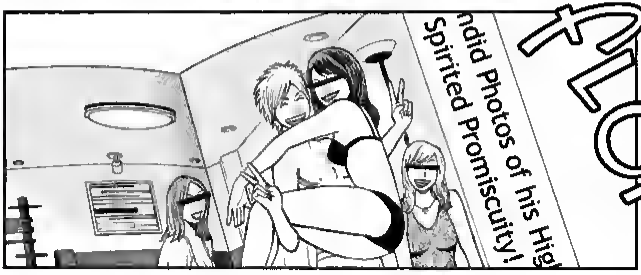
Ha
Ha
Ha
WHAT DID YOU THINK?


OUR FANBASE HAS CHANGED A LOT; THEY'RE LIKE 90% DUDES NOW.
DUNNO IF THAT IS A GOOD THING OR NOT...

That's a tough act to follow... You guys were like another band when Yuta was around...

HAVE YOU READ THIS YET?
GIT
GIT

THEY DID AN ARTICLE ON YUTA.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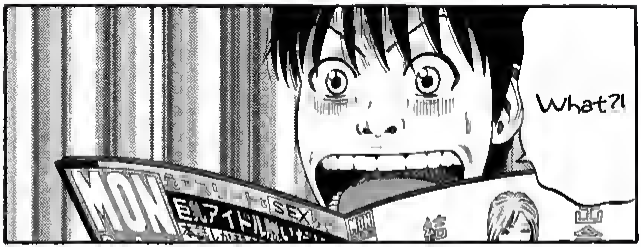
ndid Photos of his High-Spirited Promiscuity!


What?!

THERE'S ALL THIS CRAP ABOUT HIS SHOWS AND ACTING CAREER GOING TITS-UP. I OVERHEARD A COUPLE OF MY COLLEAGUES TALKING; AND, AS IT TURNS OUT,
HE'S A REAL FUCKIN' ASSHOLE.

THIS IS PROBABLY GOING TO BE THE END OF HIM...
"A LITTLE?" THAT'S MORE THAN A LITTLE!
WELL, HE ALWAYS HAD A BAD HABIT OF TAKING THINGS A LITTLE TOO FAR...
.....

IT'S ALL THANKS TO YOU, KOYUKI-KUN
EVEN SO... CHINESE BOOKEY HAS THE BEST POSSIBLE REPLACEMENT NOW.
HUH?!
IT'S YOUR SG.
Whaaat? It's your yelling skills that got you this far
I'VE EVEN COME TO WANT IT FOR MYSELF.
YOUR SG IS REALLY COOL.

I DON'T HAVE THAT SG ANYMORE ...
AHH ...
WHAT?
IT HAPPENED IN LONDON ...

HEY!

I'M GLAD WE FOUND YOU...
I ASKED KAWAKUBO-SAN WHERE TO FIND YOU.
THERE'S SOMETHING THAT I WANTED TO TELL YOU.
WHEEZE

WOOSH
HEY!
IS IT OKAY IF I JUST GET STRAIGHT TO THE POINT WITH YOU?
CAN YOU SELL IT TO ME?
PLUNK
THAT SG ...

I'LL PAY WHATEVER YOU ASK FOR.
LET'S SAY... PRICE IS NOT AN ISSUE.
NOT BAD, HUH?
HOW 'BOUT THAT?
ALRIGHT THEN; FORGET IT.
HAHA HAHA HA...
UHH ...

I'M NOT SURE HOW TO PUT THIS, BUT...
I SAW YOUR LIVE YESTERDAY.
AFTER I SAW IT, I JUST *HAD* TO SEE YOU!
SORRY... FORGET ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED
TAKE IT EASY.
TURN

SHINSAKU?
SO, SHINSAKU ...
WAS THERE SOMETHING THAT YOU FELT YOU NEEDED?

ALL RIGHT ...
SWOOOOO
THE SG... I'LL GIVE IT TO YOU.

I WANT YOU TO TREASURE IT.
BUT... IN EXCHANGE ...
I PROMISE TO TAKE GOOD CARE OF IT!
O-OF COURSE!!

By the way...
About the money
SCREW YOUR MONEY!
THIS ISN'T THE SORT OF THING YOU CAN PUT A PRICETAG ON!
AVALON

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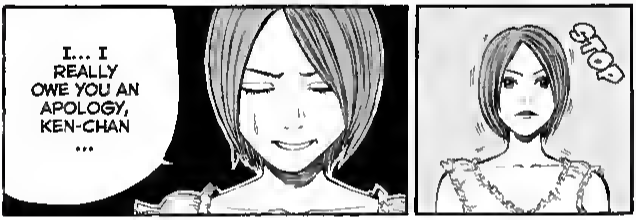
BY INHERITING IT, YOU'LL ALSO BE INHERITING A PART OF HIS FEELINGS.
HEY, RAN ...
....
THAT SG IS A PART OF KOYUKI.

H-How cool...
....
WAS THAT REALLY ALL THERE WAS TO IT?
THAT WAS THE ONLY CONDITION.

JESTY
KEN-CHAN!
AAAAHHH!
IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME.
DOIN' OKAY?
M-Momo-chan!

SKINNY
IS THAT ...
WHAT'S THAT?
Grin
KOYUKI-KUN?!
HE'S COMPLETELY FAMOUS NOW!
HE GARNERED A LOT OF FAME IN ENGLAND!
WHOA!

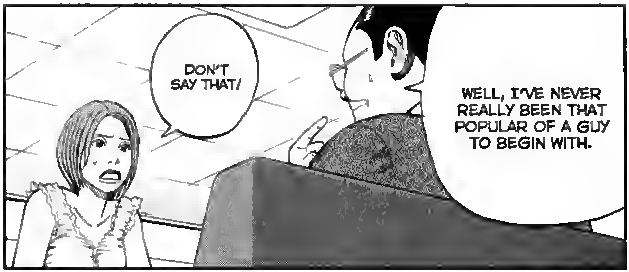
WELL, FOR A TIME PRIOR TO THAT, HE WAS WORKING PART-TIME AT MY HOUSE.
I'M SO HAPPY FOR HIM... YOU MUST BE ABLE TO KEEP YOUR NOSE HIGH, SINCE YOU WERE THE ONE WHO FIRST TAUGHT HIM HOW TO PLAY ...
FOR RATHER MODEST WAGES

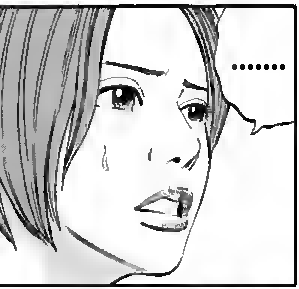

I... I REALLY OWE YOU AN APOLOGY, KEN-CHAN ...
GYO

包装用品 齋藤紙業
即刻去勢すべし
PERV!
ロリコン
おまわりさん 保護監察が必要です
人類員の敵
消えろ!!
....

It's my fault...
AH, SHIT! THOSE SNOT-NOSED KIDS DID IT AGAIN!
I've been the source of all this gossip...
SAY WHAT?
!!
WAS PROBABLY YOU...
I WAS THE ONE WHO SAID THE PERVERT RUNNING AROUND THE SCHOOL LATELY...
GIUNK

BOW!!
I'M SO SORRY!
THE REAL CRIMINAL WAS CAUGHT RED-HANDED YESTERDAY!
HE WAS A FREELANCER IN HIS EARLY 30'S.
I'M GLAD THAT THAT LITTLE MISUNDERSTANDING WAS CLEARED UP.
AH, WELL ...


DON'T SAY THAT!
WELL, I'VE NEVER REALLY BEEN THAT POPULAR OF A GUY TO BEGIN WITH.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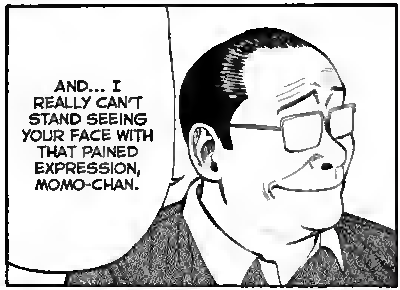
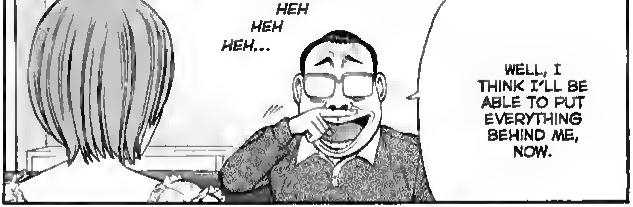
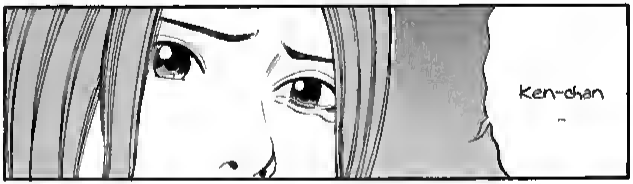
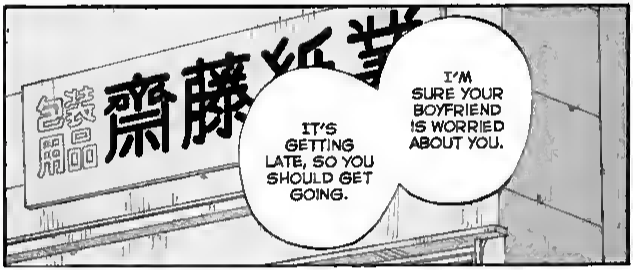

AND... I REALLY CAN'T STAND SEEING YOUR FACE WITH THAT PAINED EXPRESSION, MOMO-CHAN.

IT'S NO SURPRISE THAT IT'S COME TO THIS...
I'VE BEEN NOTHING MORE THAN A BOTHER TO YOU, MOMO-CHAN.


HEH
HEH
HEH...
WELL, I THINK I'LL BE ABLE TO PUT EVERYTHING BEHIND ME, NOW.


Ken-chan

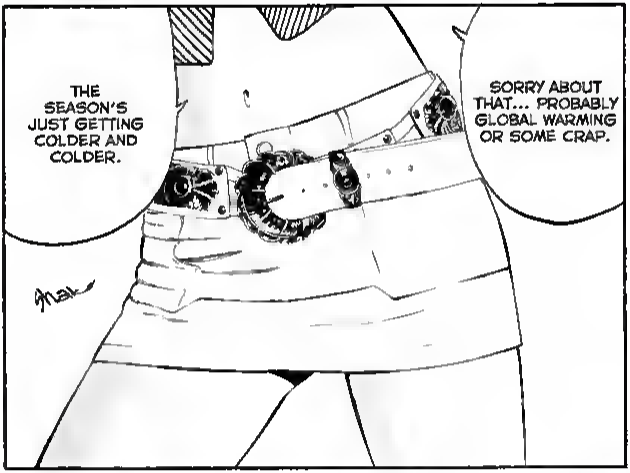

齋藤
I'M SURE YOUR BOYFRIEND IS WORRIED ABOUT YOU.
IT'S GETTING LATE, SO YOU SHOULD GET GOING.

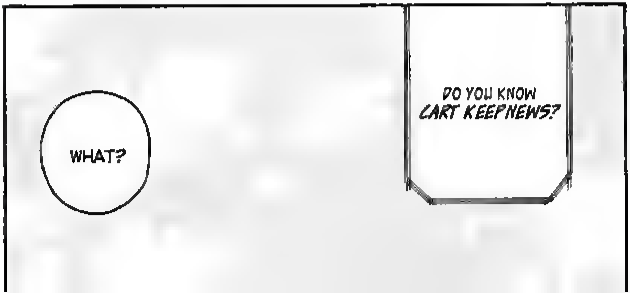
STOP

THAT'S THE ONLY REGRET I HAVE LEFT.
IT WAS A GOAL OF MINE, BUT I WAS NEVER ABLE TO ACHIEVE IT.
THE 200 METER INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY ...
I SWIM THERE EVERY DAY AT 5:00 PM!
WHENEVER YOU NEED ME, I'LL BE AT THE POOL!
WOOF WOOF
GOODNIGHT!
GOODNIGHT!

RING
RING
GOOD MORNING!
HAVE THE JOURNALISTS BEEN KEEPING YOU BUSY LATELY?
THEY KEEP COMING FROM ALL AROUND THE WORLD.

ACHOOO!
Why are you calling so early...?


THE SEASON'S JUST GETTING COLDER AND COLDER.
SORRY ABOUT THAT... PROBABLY GLOBAL WARMING OR SOME CRAP.


WHAT?
DO YOU KNOW CART KEEPNEWS?

D-Did you say C-Cart Keepnews?
WHAAAAAAAT?!
ARF

Are you guys just completely clueless?
WHAT THE ...?
Whoa... It's pretty rare to see Taira-kun fired up like this...

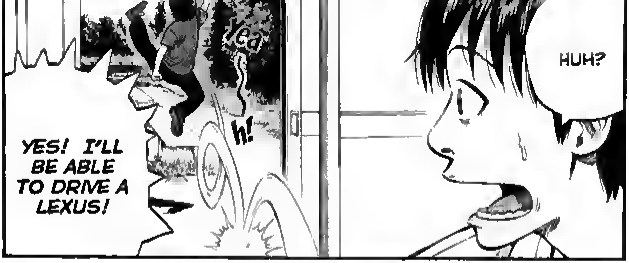
HE'S THE LEGENDARY MAN THAT PUSHED *SEASIDE RECORDS* INTO THE BIG LEAGUES.
IN THE GOLDEN DAYS OF ROCK, HE STOOD ABOVE EVERYBODY ELSE; AND, WITH HIS KNACK FOR MUSIC, HE MADE HISTORY BY CONTINUALLY PUMPING OUT SUCCESSFUL BANDS.

HE'S EXTREMELY RESPECTED IN THE INDUSTRY.
HE'S CURRENTLY THE *CEO* OF SEASIDE RECORDS.

Le-

I'll be able to buy a Lexus!

Seems like it!
So... you're telling me this guy called us directly to arrange a contract?


HUH?
YES! I'LL BE ABLE TO DRIVE A LEXUS!

JUST HOLD ON.
TAIRA-KUN, WE HAVE TO HURRY AND DO THIS CONTRACT THING BEFORE HE CHANGES HIS MIND!
WE SHOULD WAIT FOR RYUSUKE TO COME BACK BEFORE WE DISCUSS IT.

BA-BUMP
BA-BUMP
BA-BUMP

ARF
ARF
SOMETHING AMAZING HAS JUST HAPPENED!!

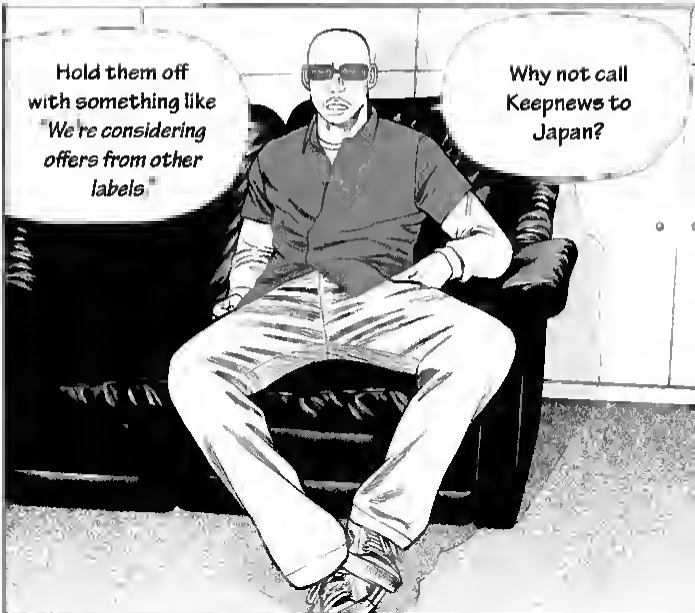
NEW YORK

Seaside...?
That's awesome!

They don't have the energy they had before, but i haven't heard any complaints from the musicians.
They're an affiliate of P&B Records now.

It's easy to take advantage of new bands
Better be careful with that contract, though

Right, Matt?


Hold them off with something like "We're considering offers from other labels"
Why not call Keepnews to Japan?

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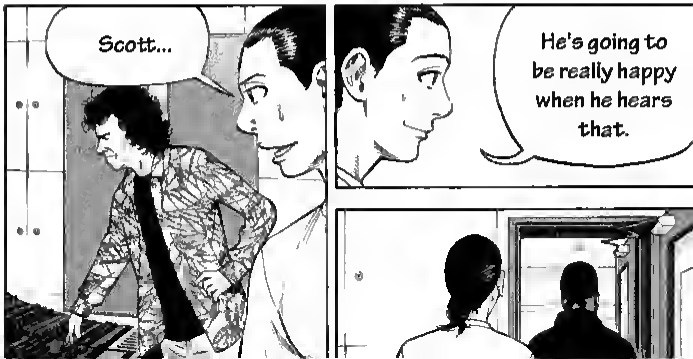
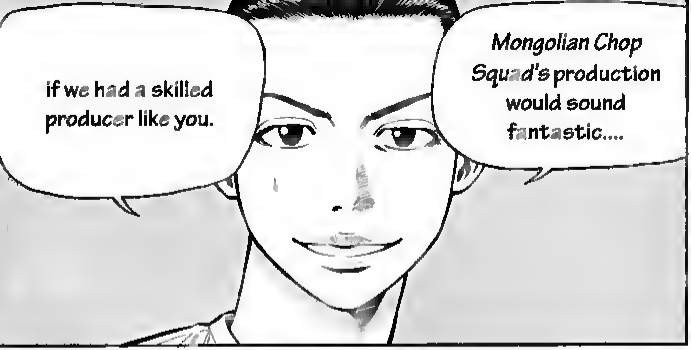
All right, let's get started.
Matt's old friend from his days in Dying Breed...
Scott Lambroza
...
After they made Scott their producer, the band's music took a more dramatic turn.

Really?
Ray got an offer from Seaside.
I'm liking the drum sound you guys have.
Your drummer is what they call a "diamond in the rough."
I was a drummer myself.


Scott...
He's going to be really happy when he hears that.


if we had a skilled producer like you.
Mongolian Chop Squad's production would sound fantastic....

Scott's schedule is full for the next two or three years.
Hey, don't even try to promote yourself!
Wha?

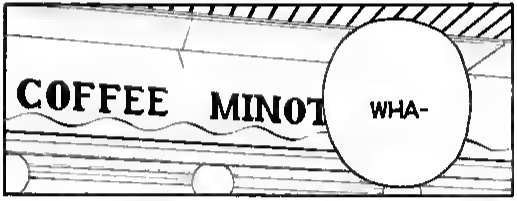
MILES DAVIS ONCE SAID ...

WHEN LOOKING BACK ON HIS TIME IN CHARLIE PARKER'S BAND.
"I HAD SUCH A HARD TIME THAT I WAS CONSIDERING FOLLOWING IN MY DAD'S FOOTSTEPS AND BECOMING A DENTIST,"

THE MOST PROMINENT MUSIC PRODUCER IN THE UNITED STATES ...
WORLD-CLASS MUSICIANS ...
AND MATT, BACK IN FULL FORCE.
I'M ONLY PARTICIPATING IN FOUR SONGS,
AND YET... I CAN'T STOP THIS COLD SWEAT.

BUT,

EVERY DAY FEELS... COMPLETE.

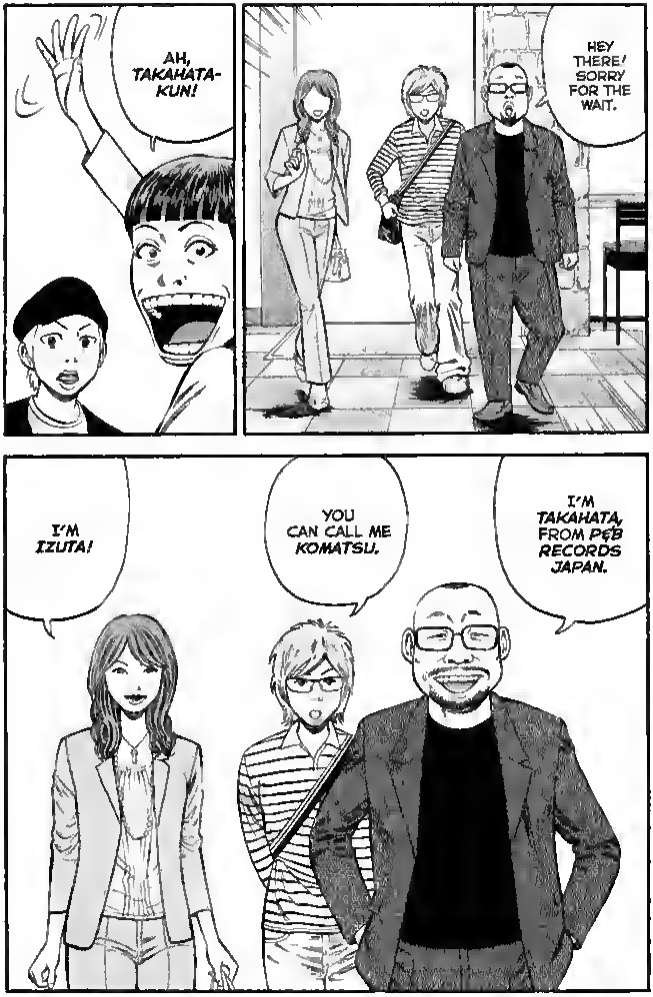

COFFEE MINOT
WHA-

LIKE I SAID ...
Say what, now?

KEEPNEWS IS COMING TO JAPAN!

No, that was all Ryusuke!
THIS IS WHAT YOU GUYS WANTED, RIGHT?

KAWAKUBO-SAN'S CONNECTIONS... DO THEY EVEN GO THIS FAR?
I'M WORRIED, THOUGH ...


AH, TAKAHATA-KUN!
HEY THERE! SORRY FOR THE WAIT.
I'M IZUTA!
YOU CAN CALL ME KOMATSU.
I'M TAKAHATA, FROM P&B RECORDS JAPAN.

SO, FROM HERE ON OUT, THIS IS ALL ON YOU GUYS!
WELL, I GUESS IF I STICK AROUND, I'LL LOOK LIKE I'M TRYING TO SCORE SOME MONEY OUT OF THIS WHOLE DEAL, WON'T I?
WE'VE MADE RESERVATIONS AT A PLACE NEARBY. SHALL WE GET GOING?
HUUUH?!
GULP
TAKE CARE.

KEEPNEWS HAS BEEN TRYING TO BREAK INTO THE JAPANESE MUSIC SCENE FOR ABOUT TEN YEARS.
WE'RE ACTUALLY PRETTY NERVOUS ABOUT THE WHOLE THING.

WE HAD NO IDEA *BECK* HAD SUCH AN ALLURE...
HMM... YOU GUYS HAVEN'T TOUCHED YOUR FOOD. DO YOU NOT LIKE IT?

HOW ABOUT SOME DRINKS? THEY HAVE PLENTY OF WINE AND SHOCHU HERE.
MENU
WE'RE FINE ...
I-I'M DRINKING IT.
CHIBA-KUN.
Umm ...
DO YOU REMEMBER ME? WE MET AT THE LIVE AT THE ROXY.
EXCUSE ME...
UH... NO, SORRY... I DON'T.
HUH?

YOU JUST DON'T MAKE MUCH OF AN IMPRESSION.
AWW, HE'S HURT!
I see
....
sigh

IT'S HARD TO GET A RESERVATION HERE.
ANYWAY, THIS RESTAURANT IS PARTICULAR ABOUT ITS INGREDIENTS.

...like this!
...like that!
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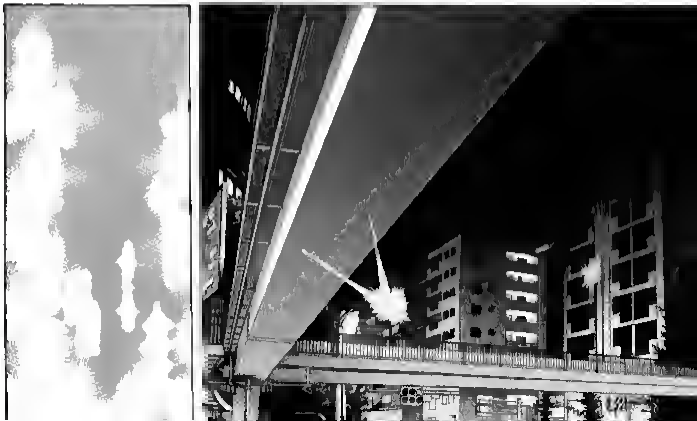
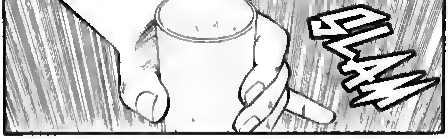
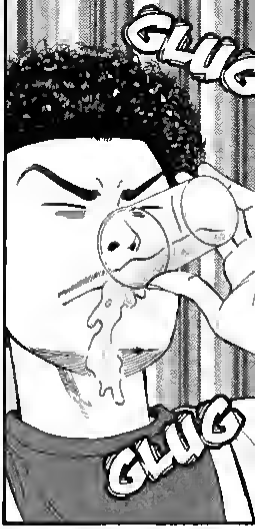


KEY COFFEE
HEY, THERE THEY ARE!
DASH

WHERE ARE YOU GUYS GOING?
Tap
Tap
Tap
THERE HE IS, MOLE AND ALL!

TO EAT.
"WHERE?"


SLAM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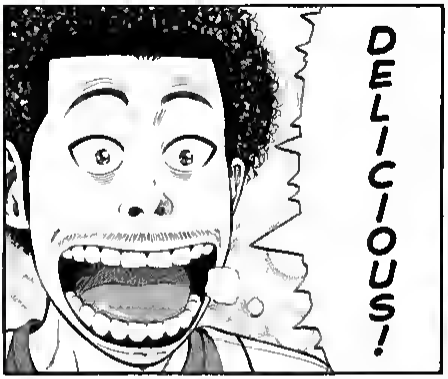
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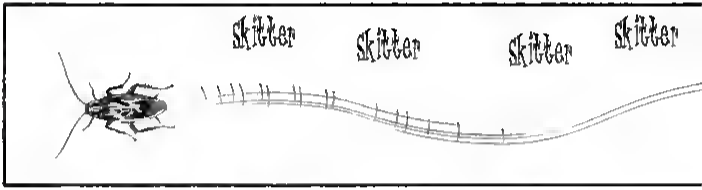
Skitter
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IDIOT... THE ROACHES ARE WHAT MAKE THIS PLACE GREAT!
UGH, A ROACH!
Skitter
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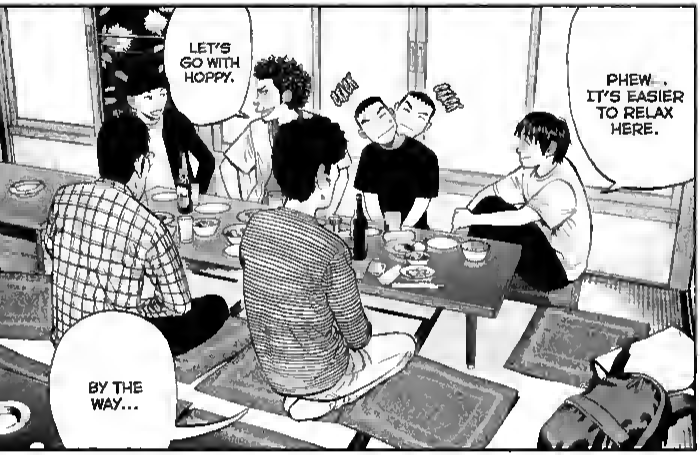
I NEED ANOTHER PLATE OF YAKITORI!


LET'S GO WITH HOPPY.
GUM
PHEW... IT'S EASIER TO RELAX HERE.
BY THE WAY...

BA-BUMP

I HEARD ABOUT IT FROM SATOU-SAN.
Y-You knew?

YOU GUYS MET WITH P&B TODAY, RIGHT?

WE DIDN'T HAVE TO WORRY AFTER THAT.
Glance

WE HAVE SOME CONTACTS IN P&B. IT'S A GOOD COMPANY ...
HUH?

SLISH SKLSH

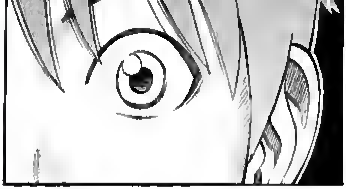
WHAT ARE YOU TAKIN' ABOUT?
DRINK! DRINK!
AHH!

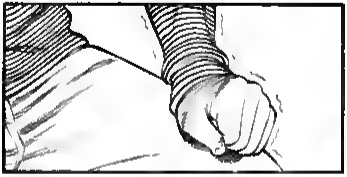
WELL, NOTHING IS SET IN STONE YET...

A SMALL INDIE LABEL LIKE US CAN'T HOLD A CANDLE TO THEM!
CHUG
CHUG
P&B IS ONE OF THE BIGGEST LABELS IN THE WORLD!
SLAM!
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?

FLICK
CHIBA
...
Marlboro
SAKU
...
TAIRA
...
KOYUKI
...
DON'T DISAPPOINT ME.

I CAN'T HOLD ONTO *BECK* ANY LONGER...
Fwoooooooooooooooo





It's not like we won't see each other again!

IF YOU STAY WITH ME ANY LONGER, YOU WON'T PROGRESS.
YOU NEED A NEW PARTNER.

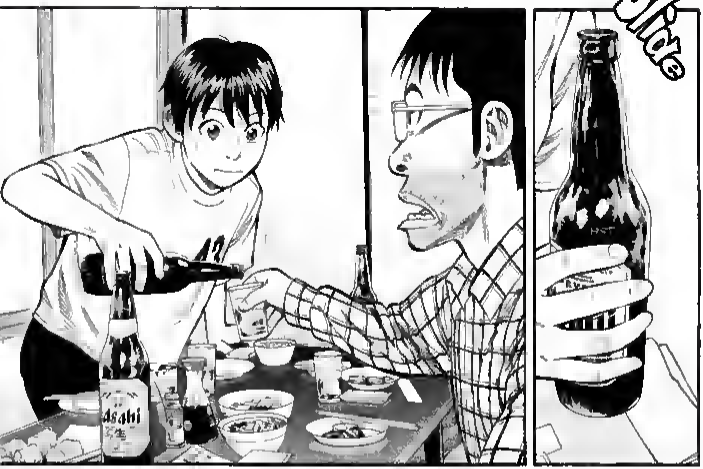
I don't think they're a good match for us.
B-But, listen.. Those guys were all uptight and pretentious ...

NOPE.
EVEN NOW, I ....
DID YOU GUYS TAKE A LIKING TO ME AT FIRST?

KEEPNEWS... HE'S LIKE A CLOUD DRIFTING WAY ABOVE OUR HEADS.

YOU HAVE TO MOVE FORWARD!

HERE'S YOUR YAKITORI.
HAIR ?!
Ugh, th-this hair is
DO YOU ALWAYS EAT THIS ?!
YOU CAN HANDLE THAT KIND OF TOPPING.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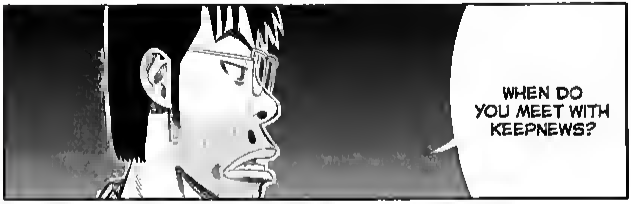
WHEN DO YOU MEET WITH KEEPNEWS?

WHEN RYUSUKE GETS BACK.
AH. GIVE HIM MY REGARDS THEN.

I GOTTA GET UP EARLY TOMORROW.
MY KIDS NEED THEIR MEASLES SHOT.

YOOO, YOU WANT TO HIT UP ANOTHER BAR?

TELL KOYUKI-CHAN I SAID 'HI.'
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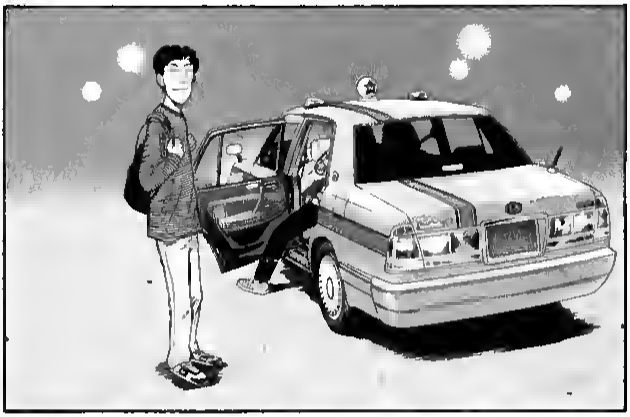

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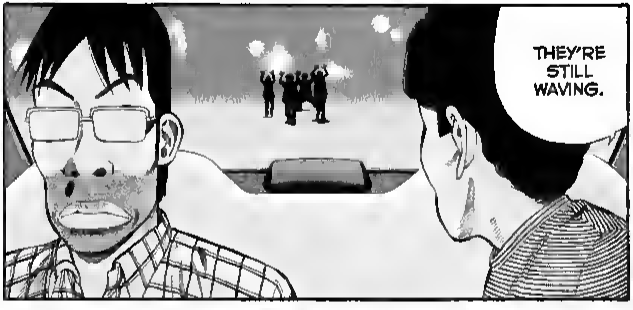
THEY'RE STILL WAVING.

BECK is awesome
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WE'RE GOING AWFULLY FAST, DON'T YOU THINK?
AND THERE'S NO TRAFFIC.
WELL, HE HAS BEEN HITTING ALL THE GREEN LIGHTS.

THAT'S WHAT WE HAVE TO DO...
"GO FORWARD" ...
ISN'T THAT JUST WHAT WE WERE *TOLD* TO DO?
THEY DIDN'T MINCE WORDS DID THEY?
"YOU AGREE NOT TO GET IN OUR WAY" OR WHATEVER?
PLUS, RAN ISN'T AN OBSTACLE ANYMORE.
THANKS TO KOYUKI'S SKILLFUL PLAY, THAT IS.

HAHAHA
...
WE'LL HAVE TO PREPARE FOR THE WORST, GUYS! WE'VE GOT NOWHERE TO GO BUT *FORWARD!*

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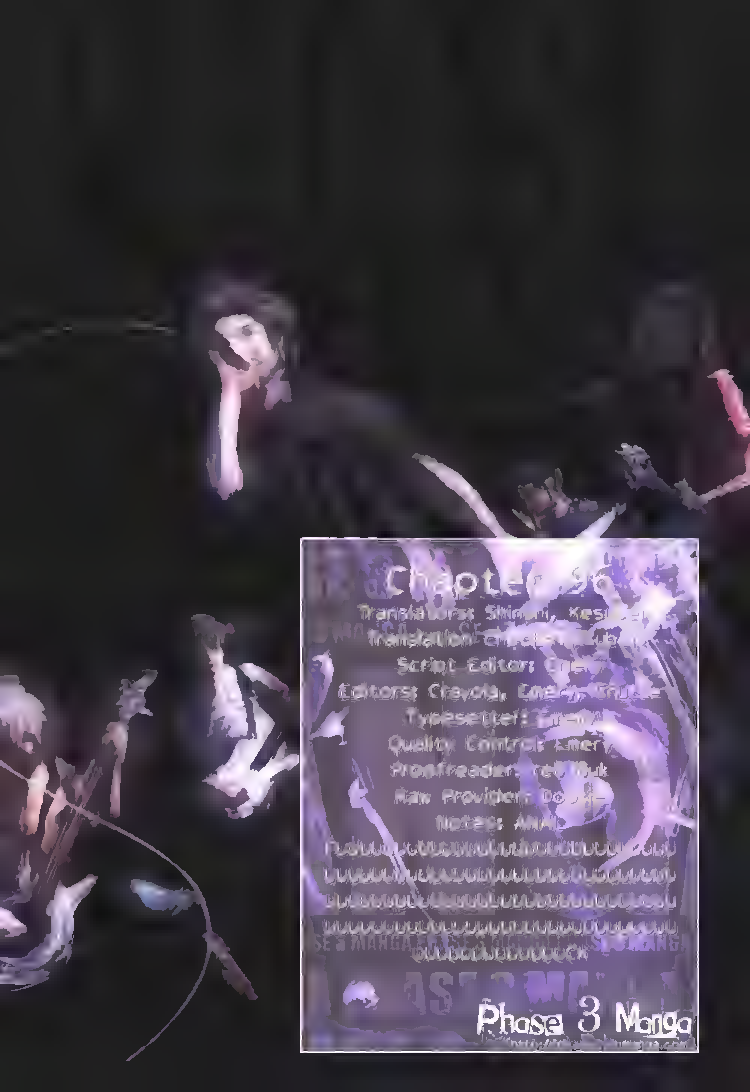
ALL RIGHT, LET'S SEE YOUR LICENSE.

Harold Sakuishi
Presents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